

Minnesota Quilters, Inc. 2020 Annual Report October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021



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 Website Karen Knoll
Education Director
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 Meeting Coordinators–Day
 Meeting Coordinators–Evening
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 Historian
 Holiday Brunch Laurie Klinkhammer
Library Laura Nagel
Quilting for Others Diane Rose
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 Membership Coordinators-Day
 Meeting Hospitality-Evening
 Membership Coordinators-Evening
 Volunteer Coordinator
Operations Co-Directors

Operations Co-Directors Aileen Lively & Donna Rockette

President's Report

By Charlette Pittman and Mary Tague

Managing Minnesota Quilters, Inc during a pandemic has been a significant challenge. Working via Zoom, trying to keep our membership engaged, managing our finances after having no show in 2020 and hosting a virtual show in 2021 was a monumental effort for the board and show committee.

During the fiscal year 2020 – 2021, Charlette Pittman served as President from Oct 1, 2020, through May, 2021, when Mary Tague stepped up from President Elect to acting President. The President Elect position was vacant for the balance of the fiscal year. There were also vacancies in Education and Communications.

Board Meetings: Attended and presided over monthly board meetings and special meetings including those related to fund-raising, and putting on a virtual show.

Supervisory: In 2021, organized the hiring committee and scheduled and conducted interviews and hired Brenda Lyseng as part-time Show Director. Supervised Bookkeeper, Office Manager, and Show Director. Conducted weekly staff meetings.

Public relations: submitted President's letter for MQ newsletters

Financial: (Budget, Finance Committee) Provided budget input for upcoming fiscal year budget. Worked with Treasurer and Bookkeeper to prepare budget proposal for upcoming fiscal year. Signed contracts as needed (e.g., faculty, lectures, Show venue, Insurance, catering, etc.) Signed check requests, co-signed check requests > \$500, and signed checks as needed.

Annual Meeting: Worked with past-presidents and staff to prepare material and program for the FY 2019-2020 Annual report presented to our membership via Zoom before the monthly member meeting on August 7th.

Charlette's President's Challenge: The 2021 President's Challenge was "Tummy Time Quilts" a challenge to Minnesota Quilter members to create baby quilts make Tummy Time quilts for the Nurse-Family Partnership to help first-time parents. Quilts were delivered to both MQ and directly to Nurse-Family Partnership locations, so no final number of Tummy Time Quilts is available. These quilts were not displayed at the 2021 Virtual Quilt Show.

Quilter of the Year: Since our 2020 show was cancelled, the 2020 Quilter of the Year, Mike Ellingson, became our 2021 Quilter of the Year. He put together a wonderful presentation of his work that was available during the 2021 Virtual Quilt Show.

Election of Officers: The election of officers was managed by the Co-Past Presidents. The election was conducted via Survey Monkey in September 2021.

A Board turnover meeting was held on October to transfer information from the departing board members to the new board members. We thank Laurie Klinkhammer, Merle Pratt, Karen Kopitzke, Linda Wines, Aileen Lively, and Ellen Wold for their years of service to Minnesota Quilters, Inc. And we welcome new board members Char Wenger (Past President), Wynn Martin (President Elect), Laura Nagel and Charisse Litteken (Education), Pat Curtner (Communications), and Jan Schmidt (Membership). We were unable to fill the vacant Operations Co-Director position, so we thank Donna Rockette for handling these responsibilities on her own until we can fill the vacancy.

Strategic Planning: Once again Minnesota Quilters embarked on a strategic plan to access who / where we are as an organization, and who / what do you want to be in the future. The Strategic Planning Committee began meeting in July/August 2020 to develop a forward-looking vision that would guide MQ over the next decade. The first item was reviewing the Mission, Vision, and Values of MQ. The Vision statement crafted by the 2019 was acceptable. The Mission was revised and a Value provision was created. These items were adopted by the board in December of 2020. In 2021 work continued and a Transition Planning Workbook was created to guide MQ over the next 5-7 years. The Board is diligently keeping this plan in front of us as we do the work of the Minnesota Quilters board of directors.

Presidents Elect Report

By Mary Tague

Manage requests for MQ grants to organizations or individuals. The previous President Elect determined that no grants would be given during the 2020 – 2021 fiscal year. Therefore, no activities of sending out grant awards or requesting document for use of grant funds was needed.

Manage the process of selecting the Scholarship recipient for the annual show. Since there was no Show in 2020, the Scholarship winner from 2020 received the benefits in 2021. She received free admission and admission to the class of her choice at the 2021 virtual show and an extended membership to MQ.

Facilitate the Long-Range Program Planning committee. Attended meetings and discussed opportunities when invited.

Support at Annual Quilt Show. This usually results in time spent by the President Elect at the board / bag check table. However, no role was determined for the President Elect at the Virtual Show.

Identify volunteers to develop grant-writing opportunities. Worked with Karen Newman and a consultant to submit a grant application to the Metropolitan Regional Art Council. Unfortunately, MQ was not selected to receive the grant.

Champion and organize fund-raising events, including online giving including writing newsletter articles about fund-raising initiative, including but not limited to donation information on MNQUILT.ORG; 365 Challenge and Amazon. In addition to newsletter articles regarding fund-raising activities I initiated and conducted a very successful fall fund raiser to raise enough money to cover the costs of the Cvent Attendee Hub. We raised more than \$20,000. We offered a show bag (originally intended for the 2020 show) as a Thank You for donations of \$120 or more, and a 2020 Show Pin for donations of \$50 and up.

I assumed the position of President on April 25th, when Charlette Pittman, our President, resigned. The President Elect position remained vacant for the rest of my term.

Past President's Report

By Karen Kopitzke & Linda Wines

Board Meetings: Attended monthly board meetings and special meetings to address specific issues such as the Virtual Show and 2021-22 Budget.

Staff: Attended Staff meetings as necessary. Participated in search and hiring of Show Director, Brenda Lyseng.

Financial: (Budget, Finance Committee): Attended monthly financial meetings. Provided budget input for upcoming fiscal year budget. Signed check requests and co-signed check requests >\$500 as needed. Karen acted as contact person with Morgan Stanley regarding investments.

Annual Report: Prepared and presented annual report to the membership via Zoom at the July 2021 membership meeting (Karen).

Election of Officers: Recruited, prepared a slate of officers, and oversaw the election for the 2021-22 Board of directors (Linda).

Liaison to Minnesota Quilt Project: Served as liaison to Minnesota Quilt Project Standing Committee (Linda).

Annual Show: Acted as Interim Show Coordinators for the 2021 quilt show and conference.

Treasurer's Report

By Miki Peine

The financial position of Minnesota Quilters was negative during the fiscal year ending Sept 30, 2021 due to the continuation of the Covid-19 Pandemic. The organization again took many steps to reduce expenses and strategized new sources of revenue. We held our annual Quilt Show virtually in June 2021. Fortunately, again Minnesota Quilters has been able to use our savings to weather another pandemic year. We are looking forward our first in-person quilt show in June 2022. Thank you to the Board of Directors, membership and employees for all your hard work from Oct 1, 2020 to Sept 30, 2021.

Show Location	Year	Net Asset Beginning of Year	Expenses	Income	Increase (Decrease) in Unrestricted Net Assets
Rochester	2019	\$319,960	\$426,516	\$451,125	\$23,609
No Show	2020	\$353,376	\$214,940	\$89,762	\$(125,178)
Virtual Show	2021	\$232,336	\$258,116	\$253,638	\$(14,478)
Saint Cloud	2022				

Communications Report

By Peggy Stockwell

Cadan: Communications continued to partner with Operations in communications with Cadan. No significant events occurred.

Cvent: Cvent was used successfully as the vehicle for the 2021 MQ Show. Karen Kopitzke resigned as Cvent Coordinator as of June 30, 2021. No replacement has yet been found.

Facebook: Due to the sudden appearance of an "owner" for our group Facebook site, all admins were suspended except for Debra Svedberg and Sue Rutford. The "owner" admin was removed. No one to date has come forward to explain or demand to be put back in place. Debra continues to closely monitor our site.

Newsletter: Wanda Shelton continued as newsletter editor with assistance from Debra Svedberg. With the exception of 13 members, newsletters are sent by email.

State Fair: Sue Rutford again led a team of volunteers to man the MQ booth at the State Fair. A misunderstanding of the number of ribbons to be used by the State Fair judge, Kate Eelkema, caused a lot of distress to our contact at the State Fair Administration. Communications sent a letter of apology to our contact to try and mend our relationship.

Marketing/Promotion Activities: These were curtailed by Covid.

Other: Communications participated in the Strategic Planning Committee. The work of updating MQ's marketing and other communication materials continued. The "MQ A to Z" document was completed and put in place. Part of the Volunteer Handbook was rewritten and submitted to the Board. A committee was formed to create a new logo for MQ. Work is in progress. Communications has also been researching creating a new website. Five vendors were chosen from the MN Council of Nonprofits and interviewed to determine the feasibility of hiring a vendor to do the work. It was determined that this would be too costly for MQ at this time. Research is ongoing about doing the project inhouse with volunteers. Communications also began the research into hybrid meetings. Documentation and a YouTube video were given to Education to help with this process. Work was suspended by Laurie Klinkhammer due to family issues.

Education Report

By Laurie Klinkhammer & Laura Nagel

The past fiscal year found us continuing to live our lives during a global pandemic. This affected all of us and MQ in many ways. In November newly elected Education Co-Director Deeny Raasch found it necessary to resign from the Board, as she needed to focus on her commitment as distance-learning coach for her grandchildren due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. In May 2021 Laura Nagel was appointed to assist with Education and then in July appointed to fill the vacated Education Co-Director position. Laura has long been an active MQ member having previously served as Education Director, President Elect, President, Past President, Show Coordinator (four times!) and the latest Steering Committee and is an MQP member.

Education's focus was to provide members activities that would enhance the Minnesota Quilters experience despite the challenges of operating during the global pandemic. The goal remained to plan experiences that appealed to varying interests. Activities such as membership meetings, workshops and retreats would need to continue to be conducted virtually for the foreseeable future with a watchful eye on expenses. MQ members, MQ business members and local guilds offered programming, workshops, and retreats at reduced or no fee that helped keep expenses to a minimum.

By October 2020, many individuals had become proficient at conducting and participating in virtual meetings. Zoom had become the de facto standard. During the pandemic many, including MQ's Minnesota Quilt Project (MQP) produced wonderful videos sharing the history and love of quilting that could be used in a plethora of ways. We adjusted to attending meetings and workshops and watching recordings from the comfort of our homes – and cabins, and hotels, and state parks and even automobiles. Technology is fabulous isn't it!

We adjusted to doing things virtually including, but not limited to: monthly meetings, Fall Getaway (aka Retreat), Cabin Fever Get Together (the Holiday Brunch reimagined), the Cabin Fever Retreat, the Quilt Bindings: Simple to Spectacular workshop with Susan Cleveland, and the Creating Art with Thread Painting workshop with Jan Doyle. We discovered virtual wasn't so bad after all. We could see people and whatever it was they were showing by sharing their screen. In the beginning attendees were almost always asked to mute their lines so as not to disturb others with background noise. If you didn't mute your audio your audio was muted for you if there was so much as a peep from background noise emanating from your microphone. As attendees & speakers grew more comfortable with virtual meetings, speakers and teachers starting asking folks to keep their lines open because they missed the laughter at their silly jokes and the ohhhs and ahhhhs when quilts or techniques were shown. We learned to be mindful and put ourselves on mute when there was a background noise – like those darn sons riding Harleys or others (often husbands) in the area with loud voices.

We have certainly missed being together to enjoy our shared love of all things quilting. As we look to the future we imagine the time when we can safely meet together indoors in large numbers! What the future holds is, of course, uncertain. During the start of the pandemic we were building the bridge as we walked on it. As we move on we'll adapt while continuing to be mindful of MQ's mission- to nurture the art and craft of quilting through inspiration and education, to support our communities through our craft, and to honor our quilting heritage.

Programming was presented virtually using Zoom due to the COVID19 pandemic.					
Month	Date	Program/Workshop	Speaker/Teache r	Participants	
Oct	1&3	The Voting Line	Carol Hancuh	38 & 51	
	2	Quilt Bindings: Simple to Spectacular Workshop	Susan Cleveland	51 (full)	
	16-17	Virtual Fall Getaway	Sharyn Resvick	30 (full)	
	19	The Voting Line Recording	Carol Hancuh	16	
Nov	5&7	Suffrage Quilt Challenge with Dakota Star Quilters	Cindy Thury Smith	62 & 42	

The table below is October 2020 – September 2021 (FY2021) Programming. The number of participants is included to show that although attendance was down it was pretty healthy.

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Dec	3 & 5	Loving the Vintage Sewing Machine	Mea Clift	84 & 12
	22	Loving the Vintage Sewing Machine Recording		12
Jan	7 & 9	2021 Virtual Show & Conference Preview	Show Committee	90 & 87
	22	2021 Virtual Show Into Recording		441
Feb	6	Cabin Fever Get Together	Sharyn Resvick Laurie Klinkhammer	83
	26-28	Cabin Fever Retreat	Mea Clift	40 (full)
Mar	4	MQP Show Auction Preview	MQP	53
	6	MQP Doll Beds & Doll Quilts	MQP	72
Apr	4 & 10	Domestic Sewing Machine Quilting	Laura Maki From Sew With Me	112 & 86
Мау	5&8	The Mind of a Judge	Kate Eelkema	72 & 40
Jul	8 & 10	Quilting as Instruments of Expression	Jill Scholtz	47 & 49
Aug	5&7	Quilts and the Underground Railroad: Fact or Fiction	Jan Doyle	63 & 54
	6	Creating Art with Thread Painting Workshop		39 (1 open)
Sep	9& 11	Schoolhouse	MQ Members	87 & 43

Membership Report

By Ellen Wold & Kathie Simon Frank

Overall summary: In response to our year of meetings online due to Covid, but after vaccines were available, we initiated a program of informal Member Meet-Ups, a chance for members to gather in person and chat with each other while we shared the projects we were working on. The first Meet Up was July 21st, held on a Wednesday to correspond to the time folks might be coming to QFO (Quilting for Others). 20 people attended. We skipped August due to the Garage Sale, and held a second Meet Up on the 3rd Saturday of September from 10 to 12, trying to make space for folks unable to come during a weekday. 10 people attended. We plan to schedule one or two more Meet Ups in the fall knowing that our January regular meeting is planned for inperson and hoping we might return to in-person or hybrid member meetings.

Membership recruitment activities: We were not able to have direct contact with attendees at this year's virtual show, so that avenue was cut off. We mailed letters to all non-member Mystery Quilt participants, suggesting they join, and 2 people did. We started working on a Master Plan for recruitment and retention and sent report of our ideas to the new Transition Team. We are in process of revising renewal notices to make them friendlier and more inviting. We reached out to one Quilt Guild hoping to have an MQ table at their show, but they declined due to limited space. We anticipate adjustments we might need in future meetings and are happy to know that Linda Wines has signed on to be our new Volunteer Coordinator as we move on to preparing old and new volunteers for the return to in-person meetings.

Membership introduced a proposal for Tiered Membership to the Board at the September 2021 meeting. We are tweaking the details and hope to get this approved in October to be announced in November. Our suggestion is to raise basic dues from \$40 to \$45, then add 2 tiers above basic (\$75 and \$100) which amounts to people adding a donation above the basic cost.

- 1. Special Events
 - a. Outstanding Volunteer Recognition: Diane Rose was honored in April, 2021 with a flowering plant and GC to a local quilt shop.
 - b. 43rd Anniversary Party/ Volunteer Appreciation Event did not happen in 2021, due to Covid.
- 2. Reporting Committees:
 - Business Member Coordinator continues to remain Open
 - Membership Greeters, Day and Evening--no in person meetings
 - Hospitality Teams, Day and Evening-- no in person meetings
 - Volunteer Coordinator not much recruitment this year
- 3. Membership Data:
 - a. Members as of 9/2018: 974
 - b. Members as of 9/2019: 930
 - c. Members as of 9/2020: 850
 - d. Members as of 9/2021: 684

Operations Report

By Aileen Lively & Donna Rockette

On August 1, 2021, Minnesota Quilters, Inc. began year 1 of a new 5-year lease at The Recovery Church, 253 State Street, St. Paul 55107. The agreement to our request for a 5-year lease is a good indication that the church enjoys having us share their space, and they want that association to continue into the future. We asked for and were granted an addendum to the new lease stipulating that increases in utility costs will not be passed on to MQ unless they exceed 20%, and in line with our space usage, only 5% of those additional costs could be added to the rent. The rent went up by 4%, as well as corresponding increases in the rental of the Fellowship Hall increasing from \$225 to \$250 for the 3-day span when we return to MQ's in-person monthly meetings, and from \$75 to \$90 for additional daily rental of the Fellowship Hall for other activities.

Throughout this fiscal year, the Covid-19 pandemic even with the majority of the people vaccinated has prevented or curtailed in-person meetings at the church, and having an in-person show. However, we were still able to maintain limited Quilting for Others drop off and pick up on a weekly basis while carefully following State, City of St. Paul, and The Recovery Church (Methodist synod) guidelines. We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of the Church to allow us to do this important activity without additional cost, safely, and with great success in output.

During the height of the pandemic, prior to vaccines being available, Operations took the unusual step out of an abundance of caution to 'close' the office to the public to ensure that staff would stay healthy and safe. This closure continued until May 2021, when most members and staff were fully vaccinated. Once the state and the church reduced restrictions, the office was reopened. Masks continue to be encouraged while indoors, in groups gatherings where vaccination status of all participants might be in doubt, or due to personal preference.

With the goal of reducing as many costs as possible, Operations discontinued the Show Director's cell phone contract with T-Mobile at the end of December 2020, and the phone paid off. It was moved to a 'pay-as-you-go' plan with Simple Mobile for a cost of around \$25/month, slightly less than half of the previous T-Mobile contract. This made it available to the Office Administrator to return calls from MQ members when away from the office due to safety or weather concerns. The monthly contact was not renewed at the end of January 2021, and the phone was not reactivated until mid-September 2021, just prior to the new show director starting on October 4.

Operations attempted to reduce costs for our Ricoh copier and toner/maintenance, but because we had just renegotiated our contract in August 2020 for a four-year period, this did not happen. Cancelling the contract would have required us to pay out the value of the entire contract, and with money in short supply, it wasn't considered a good option. Discontinuing the maintenance part of the contract was also reviewed, but it was determined that on-going costs of toner, the possibility of big-ticket repairs, and the relatively small amount saved made this unwise.

Operations wrote and presented to the board a job description for the Bookkeeper position. Although this met with the board's expectations, there still remains an unresolved issue about changing the actual title of this position. Most thought that all the responsibilities currently being done justified a different (i.e., higher) title than Bookkeeper, but no agreement for a new title was reached.

The off-site storage at All-American for the non-show unit 235) was sorted to remove documents that had expired according to the retention policy. These boxes have been set aside and clearly marked, and will be securely stored until the option to shred them cheaply or for free arises. All other boxes containing documents on the retention policy have been marked with a shred date. The State Fair ribbons are also in this unit, and inventory showed that there is at least enough of each category to award for another two years before any need to be reordered. This storage unit also contains several boxes/bins of garage sale items, and 23 boxes of the unsold 2020 show bags.

At the Board's request, Operations consulted with the Council of Non-Profits about costs of possibly offering health benefits to MQ employees. Since Health care costs are based on several factors, including age and type of coverage, we were only able to get a estimated range, which was reported back to the board. Operations recommended that the board revisiting this type of coverage once the budget has sufficient spare money to invest in staff benefits.

Insurance policies were paid on time at the very end of the fiscal year, their due date all being October 1st. For the next fiscal year, a review of policy coverage, as well as possible replacement with other companies is planned.

Minnesota Quilt Project Report By Carolyn Silflow

MQP Goals:

- Identify and document quilts that have a Minnesota connection (quilt documentation)
- Preserve photographs and information that MQP has collected (maintain documentation records)
- Make our collected data available to interested parties (transfer information to The Quilt Index and other on-line sites; post information on MQP website; share documentation records)
- Disseminate information on the history of quilt making and makers (MQP booth at the MQ show)
- Collect and share the stories of MN quilters ("Quilters' Stories") in the MQ newsletter and website)

A video about MQP was produced this year by Jennifer Cruise; it will be accessible on the MQP website.

MQP Leadership and meetings:

Co-Chairs: Pat Cox, Carolyn Silflow

Websmith: Karen Knoll

The Quilt Index liaison: Kelly Willis

Leaders for MN Arts and Cultural Heritage fund grants: Kelly Willis, Jennifer Cruise

Books for MQ library: Kelly Willis

Textile Center liaison: Jennifer Cruise

Quilters' Stories: Pat Cox, Mitzi Wicklund, Mary Hinz

Block book organizers: Mary Hinz, Pat Cox

Monthly meetings were held by Zoom. Average attendance was six - eight persons.

Quilt Documentation:

- More than 4000 MN quilts documented by MQP are on the Quilt Index database; updating continues.
- Kelly Willis completed uploading to the Quilt Index all the paper copies that had been stored in boxes.
- Paper copies are organized in drawers in the storage locker.
- Documentation events were not held due to COVID
- Winners (from Minnesota) of first-place awards at the quilt show have been sent documentation materials and have been asked to document their quilts (with help from MQP as needed).

Art/Pictorial: Sandra Siewert & Page Johnson

Modern: Rosemary Root

Pieced, Small: Suzy Webster

Workmanship: Mickey Ellis and Peggy Tanler

Minnesota Award, Handwork: Sandra Siewert & Page Johnson

Minnesota Award, Machine: Claudia C. Myers

Grant from the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund

Jennifer Cruise submitted a proposal to digitize recorded interviews with quilters that have been stored in the locker since the '90s. In June Jennifer received word from the MN Historical Society that the proposal has been funded for \$4145. The work is to be done during the next year.

Quilters' Stories:

Minnesota quilters were interviewed orally or in written interviews. The interviews along with a picture of the quilter were published in the monthly MQ newsletter and were posted on the MQP website.

Lectures:

MQP sponsored the MQ on-line meeting programs for March. For one program, Jennifer Cruise assembled a YouTube video of MQ members speaking about doll quilts. It featured Dawn Cook-Ronnigen, Laura Nagel, Sandy Johnson, Kelly Willis, Carolyn Silflow, and Carrie D'Andrea.

A second program featured a YouTube video describing the items donated for the MQP auction associated with the MQ show in June. The video was assembled by Jennifer Cruise, Linda Kosfeld, and Carolyn Silflow

MQP Show Activities:

The MQP virtual booth consisted of three parts

- A video about MQP produced by Jennifer Cruise. <u>https://youtu.be/CTbjY340HYA</u>
- A video about log cabin quilts featuring quilts from the collection of Pat Cox was produced by Jennifer Cruise and Carolyn Silflow. <u>https://youtu.be/bPJD_dYIXs4</u>
- The MQP auction of donated items was an on-line auction, a subset of the MQ Small Quilt Action hosted by the silentauctionpro provider. The MQP auction featured 80 items, 71 of which were sold. MQP sales were \$2742. After expenses, MQP netted \$2357. Unsold items will be stored for the sale next year. Items that need extensive repairs will be offered for sale at the MQ Garage Sale in August.

MQ Garage Sale:

Donated items that were not appropriate for the silent auction will be offered for sale at the MQ Garage Sale on August 21. Linda Kosfeld is leading this project.

Minnesota Quilts Permanent Quilt Collection:

The quilts in the MQ collection are properly folded and stored in the MQ storage locker along with a record of display and folding for each quilt. Due to COVID, we were not able to re-fold the quilts, but this activity will be carried out when conditions permit.

Notebooks with quilt descriptions and appraisal forms are in the MQ office and storage locker.

The collection is displayed in the gallery on the MQP website

Two small president's quilts were donated to the collection by Carol Adleman who served as MQ president in 1985-86. The blocks are signed by MQ members. Addition of these quilts to the collection will be a decision for the MQ board.

Public Outreach:

Several persons contacted MQP (through MQ) to donate family quilts or obtain quilt-related information. Donated items were received and priced by MQP and donors were contacted to thank them.

Business Members:

Baby Lock	Rosie Girl Quilting
Bev's Quilt Appraisal	Sew With Me
Blue Daisy Stitchery	Textilis Conservation
Cabin Quilts	Thai Charm, LLC
Country Loft Quilt & Design	The Circle Quilt Company
Creative Owl Hideaway	The Cutting Edge
Crestview Retreats	The Heart of Quilting
DavidOwenHastings.com	The Irish Chain
Dianne Pidde's Custom Quilting	The Quilting Page
Endless Quilting	Valley Quilting
Evy's Longarm Quilting	Wannabee Quilting
Eye of the Beholder	Western Star Quilts
Field Trip Quilting Studio	Whoopsa Daisy Farm
First Sewing Center	Wishingwell Quilts
Heartland Retreat & Rental Hall	
Janome	
Joyfully Stitching Long Arm Quilting	
Just A Little Something	
Lake House Crafts, LLC	
Linden Hills	
Luce Quilts	
Marie's Memory Quilts	
Mary's Quilt Market	
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